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## UNITED PRESS.

### By Telegraph

3.30 O'CLOCK.

### JULY 7 IS THE DATE

When the Democratic National Convention Will be Held.

### ST. LOUIS' CHANCES FOR SECURING THE GREAT MEETING NOT SO GOOD.

**WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.**—The Democratic national committee went into executive session here a little after 11 o'clock today.

The date of the national convention was fixed for July 7, just three weeks later than the Republican convention. The vote on the selection of the date was thirty-two to eighteen.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the nomination of the different contending cities for the place of holding the convention was begun. The St. Louis contingent feels that its prospects are not favored for getting the convention because of the lateness of the date, which would make it after the Republican convention there and the committeemen feel that this would be detrimental to the enthusiasm and entertainment of a great gathering.

New York and Chicago are more the favorites.

### RUSSIA'S LATEST FEELING.

Wants Nothing Whatever to Do with England.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

**ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 16.**—The leading Russian newspapers are unanimous in protesting against the establishment of an alliance of any kind between England and Russia in regard to Transvaal or upon any "other question." The Moscow Gazette urges Germany to curb Great Britain's aggressive policy in Africa.

### A REPUBLICAN SENATOR, TOO.

Condemns the President's Venezuelan Action.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

**WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.**—In the Senate today a resolution was offered by Mr. Sewall of New Jersey declaring the Monroe doctrine was never intended to be applied in the manner and for the purpose now proposed by the president of the United States and that the president's action was premature and inopportune in view of the business and financial conditions of the country. The resolution was laid on the table temporarily.

### LAKE CAPTAINS LOYAL.

Want to Support England If War Should Come.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

**TORONTO, Jan. 16.**—The lake captains of Ontario held a meeting today and formed the Lake Captains' association. A resolution was passed placing the services of the captains of the Ontario merchant marine at the disposal of the Imperial government should the issue of the present international complications render such action advisable.

### BIG NEW YORK FAILURE.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

**NEW YORK, Jan. 16.**—The sugar and coffee importing and exporting house of Perkins' & Welch, 41 Wall street, made an assignment today. The entire amount of failure will probably be \$500,000.

\$25,000 APIECE.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]

**LONDON, Jan. 16.**—A dispatch from Cape Town says President Kruger will demand \$2,000 indemnity on behalf of the relatives of each Boer killed in the recent fight with Dr. Jameson's raiders.

New York Market.

[Closing Quotations, 8 p.m.]

Received through the office of A. M. Tinker, Room 8, Blackinton block. Executes orders for stocks and bonds, deals upon New York Stock Exchange for cash or on margin. Private telephone 76.

Cotton Oil.....

American Sugar.....

American Tobacco.....

B. & O. R. R. ....

Canada Southern.....

Central of New Jersey.....

Chesapeake & Ohio.....

Rocking Valley.....

St. Louis, San Francisco, & Pacific.....

Chicago & G. W. R. ....

Chicago Gas.....

St. Paul.....

St. Louis, Mo. & San Fran. ....

C. C. & St. L. ....

Can. Gas.....

D. & H. ....

D. & W. ....

Dix & C. Feed.....

Gen. Electric.....

H. L. Cen. ....

Lake Shore.....

Manhattan Elevated.....

M. K. & T. Com. ....

M. K. & T. Pres. ....

National Lead.....

New England.....

N. Y. Central.....

N. Y. & W. ....

N. Y. Sun & W. common.....

No. Pacific pref.....

P. M. ....

Pink & Reading.....

Pullman.....

Southern Rail. common.....

St. L. & S. W. ....

Ten. Coal & Iron.....

Texas Pacific.....

U. S. Leather common.....

Wabash pref.....

Western Union.....

Wheeling & Lake Erie.....

W. & W. ....

Yankee & Western.....

Z. & W. ....

**The Transcript.**

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I know not what record of sin accredits me in the other world; but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.

—John A. Andrew.

**SPECIAL TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.**

Perfides the telegraphic service of the American Free Association. The TRANSCRIPT receives regularly the general dispatches of the United Press, giving the general news of the country and the world, and the special dispatches of the New ENGLAND ASSOCIATED PRESS, the oldest and best news gathering agency in New England, or to write to same and

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JAN. 16, 1896.

NORTH ADAMS AND PITTSFIELD TRAINS

The editorial in Monday's TRANSCRIPT calling for improved railway service between North Adams and Pittsfield was reprinted in full in the Pittsfield Eagle of Tuesday and endorsed in the following hearty and interested manner:

"Pittsfield cannot but feel a deep interest in this matter, and certainly the press of this city will gladly join hands with the TRANSCRIPT in its agitation of so important a matter. There is no question that the railway service between the two Berkshire cities, is not only inadequate, but is altogether below the standard which should be maintained in this section. Better railroad facilities would not only benefit both cities and the intermediate towns in a business way, but would serve to draw us more closely together and to make us more like one community. The business men of the two cities and of the towns lying between them, should join hands in this matter, and work unitedly for its accomplishment. If they do this with all the energy of which they are capable, success will be certain."

People up this way are fully expecting to have a first class railway service between northern and central Berkshire and into New York. If it doesn't come from its natural source, the Boston & Albany branch, it will be looked for and strongly encouraged elsewhere. Pittsfield, Adams, North Adams and Williamstown are entitled by the character of their residents and visitors to the best of rail-road facilities.

They are making up their minds that they must have such facilities and they will have them in some way even if it involves the building of the proposed new road through the South Williamstown valley. Such a railroad would be the means of developing one of the most beautiful sections of Berkshire and one of the richest in productive farm lands in this part of the state. The project is looked upon with great favor among enterprising people in this part of Massachusetts, not only in our county but also in Franklin county, for there are many people over the mountain who would appreciate accommodating connections with Pittsfield via North Adams.

**REMARKABLE STORIES.**

An exceedingly fascinating story by Ernest W. Hornung is commenced in today's issue of the WEEKLY TRANSCRIPT. It is entitled "After the Fact" and is a stirring story of love, robbery and romantic flight in Australia, told in a most charming manner; in a style that should make it unusually acceptable in any circles. Few writers are able to present a narrative of this kind without making it offensive to refined tastes; Mr. Hornung succeeds in doing it and without sacrificing a particle of the spirit of the story, which holds the reader most interestingly through every paragraph.

Mr. Hornung is the author of a popular book "The Unbidden Guest" and his work is taking a strong hold upon those who appreciate the bright and pleasantly entertaining in fiction. He is a brother-in-law of Conan Doyle.

The WEEKLY TRANSCRIPT will soon have the pleasure of placing before its readers a new and remarkable story by Margaret Deland, the clever author of "John Ward, Preacher," and within a few weeks the last novel of Stevenson. These are only two of the many important features of the brilliant series of stories for the year to appear in the WEEKLY TRANSCRIPT exclusively for this section.

**A DELIGHTFUL ACCOMPLISHMENT.**

There are few features of social entertainments that can be made more attractive than those which a voice trained in elocution can afford. And yet, with so much attention is given by ladies to music and other accomplishments, even in cases where opportunity for using them in entertaining social gatherings in public, or in private parlors, may be seldom afforded, how little attention is given to this most pleasing and healthful development of the voice. A lady who can use an agreeable voice in a pleasing manner in recitation or reading has always a sure and rare means at her command for entertaining delightfully a circle of friends.

We understand that the ladies of our city are to have an opportunity for taking lessons in physical culture from a lady graduate of the Boston Emerson college of oratory. A number of ladies are interested in the matter and are to meet next Tuesday evening at the St. John's parish hall to talk the matter over. We presume from the name of the college mentioned that the study of elocution may be one of the features of the lessons, though we have no definite information about it. If so a double value will be given to them which will doubtless be cordially appreciated among our social circles.

**GREAT BARRINGTON'S MISFORTUNE.**

All Berkshires today feels a sympathy for Great Barrington in the disaster which visited that town last evening. The most damaging fire in the town's history has destroyed its two finest business blocks and left the very center of the place a scene of desolation and ruin. This is indeed a hard blow. Nor does it seem that Great Barrington had neglected its

fire department and so invited this unmixed calamity.

Northern Berkshire extends its sympathy to the beautiful town in the Housatonic valley, and hopes that from the ruin wrought will rise new buildings commensurate with the pluck and pride of the town and in keeping with its handsome appearance.

Here is an incident which shows the feeling in Venezuela for the United States. A shipment to Venezuela was made Tuesday from New York of many thousands of buttons similar to the ordinary campaign badges, with a small satin American flag attached. On the top of the button is a picture of ex-President Monroe and the words "America for Americans: One Flag, One God." The buttons were sent by N. Bolot, ex-Secretary of the Venezuela Legation at Washington, who in speaking of the matter said: "By the last mail from Venezuela I received a letter from a friend in Caracas saying that the people there were simply wild with enthusiasm, and would buy anything which contained a suggestion of American sentiment. He requested me to send him something to sell, and declared that he could dispose of 1,000,000 pictures of Cleveland and Monroe."

Ohio is now to have two Republican senators, ex-Governor Foraker being elected yesterday to succeed Mr. Brice.

Thus call Mr. Foraker "Bloody-shirt Foraker" and "Fire-arm Foraker," and make sport of him here in the east. But you keep your eye on this same Foraker. He is one of the shrewdest politicians, one of the ablest lawyers and one of the most eloquent orators Ohio has ever produced, in spite of the black-guarding he has had, and when some indiscreet older senator goes to pick the new Ohio senator up for a fool, he'll find that Mr. Foraker is landed.

Justice Pryor of New York city deserves the thanks of every American citizen who rightly values and prizes the great privilege of being an American voter. Justice Pryor has said in regards to naturalization: "I shall refuse to naturalize any more persons, or to admit them to citizenship, unless they have read the Constitution of the United States and can speak the English language, which is the language of this country. Persons who cannot fill these requirements need not come before this court. They will only waste time by so doing."

Petitions are in circulation in Pittsfield for the establishment of a fish hatchery in the western part of the state, and Pittsfield is presumably the place to be selected. The matter will come up before this Legislature.—Republican.

Now, let's not take that away from Pittsfield. It's a fishy and even a soaly matter anyway. Besides, we got the teacher hatchery up here and while we are hatching out school ma'mans and professors we need not envy Pittsfield's hatching fish.

The friends of Gov. Morton believe that should Quay declare for Morton, and should Mr. Reed's friends finally decide that he cannot get the nomination, nearly all the votes of New England will be given to New York's governor. This would give that magnificent total of 214 to Morton. It is said that there is scarcely a state now pledged to Reed which would gladly take Morton as its first choice.

A young lady from Poughkeepsie writes the New York Sun a long letter about leap year privileges for the fair sex and finally concludes with this poser: "Women don't consider it a joke when a man asks them to marry, and why should a man do so?" Easily enough answered. Most every man, who knows himself well at all, is obliged to think it a joke that any woman should be fool enough to think he would make a good husband.

Turkey gives as her reason for not allowing the Red Cross society to send relief to Armenia that the money has been raised by a society hostile to the Turkish government. Well, Turkey may have something more to fear than the invasion of arms some day. It will be an invasion of arms.

Sheriff Fuller wears the prescribed regiments of his office with becoming grace and dignity and his appearance in court is quite as impressive as that of his predecessor. The deputies are also exceedingly well dressed and costs are not spared, nor is there any fear that the majesty of the law will not be fully sustained by the new Republican administration.—Pittsfield Eagle.

Lord Salisbury was guilty of the greatest blunder that a British statesman could commit, when by his stiff neck and provocative reply to Mr. Olney he arrayed against his isolated country the tremendous resources of her daughter state. Without us, he might have faced a world in arms. Without us, he invited destruction.—New York Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Ballinger Booth have been recalled to England from the Salvation army of America because they were making all its officers from American material instead of English. We didn't suppose that the Salvation army had to be so very English, don't you know.

President Harrison's engagement to Mrs. Dimmick of New York will be announced, it is said, within a few days. He apparently is as foolish about his second love as any country rustic could be in his first tender feelings. He can't stay away from her at all.

Great Britain has mobilized a powerful fleet from her naval reserve and manned and equipped it ready for instant service all within five days of unexpected orders being issued at the most unfavorable season of the year. This is the world's record.

A Malden drug clerk is going to be sued for \$1500 for two kisses taken per force of a sweet girl customer. Egad! Has it come to this!

**THE EDITOR'S SHEARS.**

FOR TODAY.

AT HIS BEST WE DREAM.

Life seems but vaguely strange at times. As though 'twere something new, and not

The same, old, dear earth burdened lot;

Just as, in sleep, we hear the chimes of thought, and swift—we know we dream!

Some fair day, when we awake To wider view, and grander life.

Will that, too, prove with vision rife,

A dream from which we still must wake?

God knows—at his behest we dream!

Carolina Clark Richards.

**TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.****Fitchburg Railroad.**

Corrected Dec. 16, 1895.

Trains Leave North Adams going East—11:37, 12:15, 7:28, 9:45, 11:45, 2:22, 3:10, 4:15 p.m.  
Gouge West—7:30, 10:08 a.m., 12:30, 1:34, 5:30  
12:45, 11:45, 2:45, 4:45, 7:45, 7:45 p.m.  
Trains Arrive from East—11:30 a.m., 12:10, 1:24, 6:00, 8:00, 11:45, 12:15, 2:45 p.m.  
From West—8:45, 11:45, 12:15, 2:45 p.m.  
In Gouge Daily, except Monday, Sunday included.

**Boston & Albany Railroad.**  
Trains Leave North Adams, Going South—4:26, 5:35 a.m., 12:15, 3:00, 6:05 p.m.  
Trains Arrive from South—4:26 a.m., 12:15, 2:35, 6:00, 8:15 p.m.

**Mosso Valley Street Railway.**  
Leave North Adams—6:10, 7, 7:45, 8:30, 9:15, 10  
10:45, 11:30 a.m., 12:15, 1, 1:45, 2:30, 3:15, 4:15, 5:30, 6:45, 7:45, 8:45, 9:45 p.m.  
Leave 4:15, 5:30, 6:45, 7:45, 8:45, 9:45 p.m.  
Leave 10, 11:45, 12:15, 2:45 p.m., 4:15 p.m., and, Saturday, 5:15 p.m.

**NORTH ADAMS AND HEADSBORO.**  
Leave Post Office, North Adams, 1:30 p.m.  
Leave Post Office, Headsboro, 8 a.m.

**THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.**

Opening of whist and pool tournaments at Franco-American club rooms by the members, Canton Colfax, 1, O. O. F., goes to Pittsfield to institute a custom in that city.

First stage rehearsal of war drama by Sons of Veterans at Columbus opera house.

Reception by Barber & Norton's dancing class in F. M. T. A. building.

White and dancing party in rooms of Division 16, A. O. H., on Eagle street.

**LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.**

A son was born January 14 to Mr. and Mrs. Miland Bliss of Florida.

S. N. Allen of the Rescue mission will address the meeting at the Universalist church this evening.

Mrs. Charles Brainerd of Hall street entertained the Thursday afternoon whist club this afternoon at her home.

Barber and Norton's dancing classes will hold a reception in Forester's hall in the F. M. T. A. building this evening.

Miss Clyde Winslow of 65 West Main street will entertain the Round-Around whist club at her home Saturday evening.

The county convention of the F. M. T. A. society will be held at Lee tomorrow.

The officers of Mountain lodge, No. 88, A. O. U. W., were installed last evening by District Deputy Morrow and Guide Butler of Pittsfield.

Mrs. R. L. Chase has presented to the Y. M. C. A. an oak writing desk for the director's room. The desk will fill a long

wish of most acceptably.

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Rev. D. L. Perin, D. D., who has several times been most favorably heard here as a preacher, will appear at the Universalist church next Monday night in his recently more popular capacity as lecturer. He will give a stereopticon lecture on his "Five Years' Experience in Japan."

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**BOSTON STORE**  
**Taylor & Gow.**  
**Special Sale.**

**January Sale. Ladies' and Misses' Cotton Underwear at special Low Prices.**

Ladies' Night Robes 49c, worth 75c

" " 69c, " 87c

" " 75c, " \$1.00

" " 98c, " 1.25

Ladies' Skirts, 49c, " 65c

" " 69c, " 75c

" " 75c, " \$1.00

" " 98c, " 1.25

Ladies' Corset Covers at the following low prices: 25c, 37 1/2c, 50c, and 75c.

Ladies' Drawers, 25c, 37 1/2c, 50c and 75c. Best value ever offered.

Our new Hamburg and Invention Trimmings have arrived. Latest Novelties. Lowest Prices ever quoted. Our own importations.

**Cotton and Linen Dep't.**

Extra value in housekeeping goods. Yard-wide Sheetings 4c, 5c a yard. 9-4 Sheetings 14c and 18c a yard, usual price 18c and 25c.

25 doz. Turkish Towels 10c, well worth 15c. Good Linen Crash 5c a yard. Extra quality Shaker Flannel 4c a yard. Nice Apion Ginghams 5c a yard. A lot of Blankets, (slightly soiled) at about one-half the original price.

**Dress Goods Dep't.**

Plaids suitable for children 6 1/4, well worth 12 1/2c. A lot of Dress Goods 37 1/2c, worth 50c. 25 doz. Kid Gloves 49c a pair, were \$1 and \$1.25. Special sale Black Dress Goods Saturday at Lowest Prices ever quoted.

**Boston Store.**

**Special Low Prices.**

Our stock of fine gold

**Watches.**

(Ladies and gentlemen's) Diamonds, in rings, ear rings and pins.

**Sterling**

sets and heavy pieces, and elegant

**Cut Glass.**

(larger than any in Western Massachusetts. It is too large and to reduce it we will quote specially low prices for a short time.

**L. M. Barnes,**

5 Wilson Block

**Auction!**

FIRST COMBINATION SALE OF

Horses, Harnesses, Blankets and Robes,

AT

RICHMOND HOUSE STABLES,

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 22,

COMMENCING AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

Mr. Stratton will arrive Monday, Jan. 20th with a caravan of nice, young wals, broken in, broken in, and shaped fresh from Indiana, the country where they are raised. Each horse will be warranted as represented at times of sale. 24-hour trial given.

**Harnesses! Harnesses!**

25 HARNESSES 25

Consisting of "car," farm, and light driving both double, and single.

**BLANKETS!**

Two sets of 100 blankets, composed by the manufacturer with both cotton and mohair, and a lining of fine flannel. For robes, 10 stripes of 100 ft. Each set a good road cloth, together with 10 of the mohair. Every item is guaranteed to be of the highest quality, and will be sold at the highest price. A deposit of cash, received, entitles the right to stop the sale.

On a positive, "take or leave it," Wednesday, Jan. 22, 1896.

**Graves & Stratton, Props.,**

Greenfield, Mass.

CHAS. FISHER, Author.

N. B. Anyone wishing to sell a horse, wagon or any property at this sale can do so by giving a consignment to Mr. Shaw, Richmond Pease, and before the sale. Every item is cordially invited to take a part in this opening sale.

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## SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

### AT ADAMS TODAY.

Attempted Burglary—Skipped Out—Special Town Meeting—Street Rail-way Extension.

#### Attempted Burglary.

Wednesday morning about 2 o'clock, the Purchase family on Pleasant street were startled by hearing someone trying to open their front door and listening quietly heard the same party attempt to pick the lock. They went to the door and a man started away on a run. He ran behind P. Timpane's central house directly afterwards and was not seen again. It is supposed the object of the disturber was burglary as there is a large amount of valuable jewelry in the house, a part of the stock of the late Mr. Purchase who was in the jewelry business.

#### Carbine Got Away.

William Carbine, a recent employee on the new Berkshire mill, left town a short time ago considerably in arrears to P. H. Gorman, who keeps the large boarding house on Pleasant street. Mr. Gorman let the master rest until Wednesday when he saw Carbine in North Adams and learned that he was looking at the America house. Returning home he swore out a warrant for the man's arrest and went to North Adams Wednesday evening with Chief Curran. They were unsuccessful, however, as Carbine left North Adams in the afternoon. His home is in Hoosick Falls.

#### Special Town Meeting, the 25th.

The selectmen have issued a warrant calling a special town meeting for Saturday, January 25th at 2 o'clock p.m. The purpose of the meeting is stated as follows in the warrant: "To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of chapter 374 of the acts of 1865 in regard to the annual election of a single highway surveyor in said town." The best men of the town are opposed to the adoption of this method of selecting our street commissioner. By virtue of it the man elected has absolute power even to the fixing of his own salary, whereas according to the present system the selectmen have the say.

#### To Extend the Street Railway.

Since the TRANSCRIBER's timely recommendation of a few weeks ago that the street railroad be extended to Maple Grove, there has been considerable open discussion of the plan. Now there is a movement on foot to have the project carried through.

The charter of the road provides for the running of cars to Maple Grove and it is said that the extension would have been made when the road was laid were it not for the refusal of the Boston & Albany railroad company to permit of crossing their track. Now that our best citizens have taken up the plan and the electric railway people must comply according to charter, it will be an easy matter to affect the passage of a bill in the state legislature to make the Boston & Albany corporation come to terms.

Pinch Blanchard of Riverside is quite ill. Dr. Lloyd is attending.

Miss Estella Danforth, a teacher at the Broad Brook school, is ill. Her school has been closed two days.

Miss Ella Phelps has recovered somewhat from her recent illness. Her sister has gone with her to visit in Berlin, N. Y.

Michael F. Danaher has severed his business engagement in J. T. Wells' store.

George H. Prindle has bought from parties over the mountain a pair of white-faced chestnut horses. Martin P. Lally has brought home three horses from the same place.

Assistant Superintendent P. J. Stanton of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company has paid \$500 to the heirs of the late Mrs. Philip Murphy on whose life there was a policy for that amount.

"Old Tennessee" will be presented at the opera house Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next week.

George Nichols has removed his family from Summer street to Zylonite.

The next meeting of the local lodge of United workmen will occur Tuesday evening and the recently elected officers will be installed at that time.

Last night's meeting of the high school seniors, called for the purpose of electing a class poet, resulted as before, in no choice.

The monthly meeting of the King's Daughters will be held at the Congregational house Saturday afternoon.

Today's meeting of the Thursday afternoon reading club will be held with Mrs. C. F. Sayles. Mrs. Albert Brown will read selections from Mrs. Louise M. Alcott and Mrs. B. M. Sturtevant will read from Chatanqua. Mrs. O. L. Darling will speak on "Current Events of Literature."

The Robert Emmet Benevolent society will elect officers a week from Sunday.

Sons of the Lafayette band fair books are out.

Liveryman Weitshaup will hereafter have a back at the depot for all passenger trains.

Sheriff O'Brien attached the stock of Marketman S. M. Bush of Summer street Tuesday.

The cases against four local Poles for Jewish cohabitation came up before the superior court at Pittsfield Wednesday.

The Boston Clothing company's store on Mifflin street has suspended business. John Dunn was fined \$5 by Judge Birby this morning for drunkenness.

Edward V. White, state pauper agent, was in town today on business. For two years past Almoner Adelbert Timney of this town and Mr. White have been disputing as to whether a certain case belonged to the state or to Asylum. It was finally settled this morning and the state will bear the cost.

The re-elected directors of the Williams-ton National bank are: James W. Bullock, Franklin Carter, Charles S. Cole, John B. Gale, S. W. Hand, W. A. Hopkins, Fred K. Leake, F. C. Markham, C. H. Mather, Frederick E. Moore, A. L. Perry, N. F. Smith, E. A. Talmadge.

The Williams College Glee, Banjo and Mandolin club gave a very fine concert last evening to a small audience. It should have attracted a much larger house. The F. & A. M. was certainly deserving of patronage. The singing of Messrs. Lockwood and Wilbur was unusually good and the violin playing of Mr. Floyd was especially sweet and pleasing. Several mandolin and banjo selections were enthusiastically received.

The ladies of the Congregational church met in the lecture room. Mr. and Mrs. Stade received. Tea was poured at four small tables. An executive committee was appointed to arrange for church socials and for the raising of money for the various funds.

For china, glass, tin ware go to A. W. Hunt, No. 20 Spring St., now 10 cent store.

Laundry, 72 Main St., Charley Won, proprietor. I will call for washing, when laundered will deliver to owners.

## WORK OF DESTRUCTION

Carried on to an Enormous Extent by Cuban Insurgents.

### Necessaries of Life Scarce Even in Havana.

Some Hot Engagements, in Which Troops Are Reported Victorious.

HABANA, Jan. 16.—Information concerning the damage done by the insurgents in the province of Pinar del Rio continues to arrive here from various sources. Between Pueblo Nuevo and Balate, in that province, all the cane-fields have been burned, and at Passo Real, La Herradura and Los Palacios the insurgents have not only burned all the railroad cars, but they have destroyed all the rail-way material of every description which they could lay hands on.

At Guatralas, the insurgents burned the plantation of El Valle and other cane-fields, and at Manzanares, province of Santa Clara, they have burned the large sugar and tobacco warehouse, containing 500 boxes of tobacco, belonging to the Ortiz company.

The distress in the province of Matanzas and other places devastated by the insurgents is very great, and the local authorities in various districts have been granted the necessary permission to collect funds by public subscription for the relief of the sufferers.

Late last evening information was received here to the effect that the insurgents had also burned the village of Rio Blanco, in the province of Pinar del Rio.

The prices of provisions, etc., are rising very rapidly here, and the expense of living is fully 50 per cent more than it was a month ago. At the rate things are going, though the Spanish authorities are still hopeful of driving the insurgents eastward and westward of Habana, the city of Habana will be the most expensive place in the world to live in.

If this is the case, with the insurgent force now in this vicinity, it may be judged that matters will be considerably worse if the Spanish commanders are unable to check the advance westward of the second Cuban army. Business is suffering terribly on all sides, and the mercantile community is heartily tired of the insurrection and everything connected with it.

Hot Fighting.

The opening of the wires in Matanzas has brought intelligence of a hot engagement at Las Charcas, near the mountains of Santa Clara, in that province. The column of Spanish troops was led by Captain Martin Sanchez, and the number of his troops placed by the official report as 240.

The insurgents engaged were under the Cuban leaders Lacot, Clotilde, Garcia, Perez and Iglesias, and the official report places their number at 1200. The battle is said, raged fiercely for two hours, the insurgents pursuing their usual elusive and harassing tactics. They gave way before the Spaniards, who finally took their camp, and found there 11 dead insurgents and five wounded. They claim that the insurgents also carried away 61 wounded. The Spanish losses, according to the report given out, were: One volunteer killed, five soldiers wounded and 10 missing. The subsequent movements of the opposing forces are not reported.

Still another report of an encounter with Maximo Gomez at a point near Sebarach has been received. This time it was General Prat, whose parts he has had an engagement with Maximo Gomez, and that he has also put the Cuban forces to flight. No details of the engagement are given, nor is anything stated as to the amount of the losses inflicted, but it is said that Gomez is proceeding westward, and that he goes to relieve Macaco and to reinforce him.

As surely as bad habits leave their mark upon the countenance of the wicked, so the ugly fashions of wardrobes have set its seal. The honest man, the beat, the slow payer, the schemer and the dole are known by the stitches. By their marks ye shall be understood, or words to that effect.

The object of this new sartorial fancy is to enable knights of the shears to tell at a glance whether you are good pay or not. It's all in the threads, as it were. Here is the key to those ingenious tabs of the tailor. The "jog" stitch is the one regularly used for good customers, who require good work. The other cross is significant of slow pay. The stitch with dots and dashes, which looks like the Morse alphabet, tells the inquiring tailor that its owner is a bad risk. The reverse dot stitch shows the good fellow who wishes his friends to dress well, but hates them to thunder to pay what they will finally owe on his introduction.

The round curves are used to indicate a mean man, and the tag with convex loops at each corner is a sure black eye for the wearer. It's a good scheme altogether, the tailors think.—New York World.

The Lost Dog.

The Public Advertiser made its appearance in 1857, and its contents, as its name implies, consisted chiefly of advertisements.

Other papers were quick to adopt the same easy and lucrative method of filling a part of their columns, but as yet announcements of false robberies and the departure of coaches, together with appeals for the return of strayed horses, lost dogs and runaway apprentices, were more common than strictly trade advertisements.

The many dogs of Charles II were constantly getting lost or stolen, and the following description of a vanished favor is supposed to have been dictated by the Merry Monarch himself: "We must call upon you again for a Black Dog, between a greyhound and a spaniel, no white about him, only a streak on his breast, and Tylly a little bobbed. It is his Majesty's own Dog, and doubtless was stolen, for the Dog was not born or bred in England, and would never forsake his master. Whoever finds him may acquaint any at Whitehall, for the Dog was better known at Court than those who stole him. Will they never leave robbing his Majesty? Must he not keep a Dog? This Dog's place is the only place which nobody offers to beg."

Corinthian Magazine.

The Spanish authorities claim that they have pressed Gomez hard for two days, and that they have succeeded in doing what they sought in driving him back into the heart of Pinar del Rio province.

They say that the combined forces of Gomez and Macaco are now in a seriously compromised position, and they do not fail to disseminate the impression of their confidence that they have at last got the insurgents at a disadvantage, and will be able to prevent their escape from Pinar del Rio.

Much confusion is manifest in the reports given out in this city of the movements of the insurgents and of the whereabouts of the different leaders. This is due partly to the swiftness of the insurgents' movements and partly to the cutting of wires and interruption of communication.

Maximo Gomez seems to be everywhere, according to the reports of his activities.

General Suarez Valdes supplements the report that Gomez in person led the second attack on Huaycu, with another report that his column overtook Gomez at the head of 3000 insurgents moving from Vinales toward the direction of Hato Araguano. The insurgents made a stand and engaged Brigadier General Cornel, who led Valdes

